

Service Date: May 10, 1990

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER Of The Application)	
Of U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, For)	UTILITY DIVISION
Forbearance of Regulation RE:)	DOCKET NO. 90.5.29
CREDIT ASSOCIATES, INC. ET AL)	ORDER NO. 5472
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ORDER DEFERRING ACTION

FINDINGS OF FACT

On April 30, 1990, U S West Communications (USWC) filed an application with the Montana Public Service Commission (MPSC) requesting forbearance of rate regulation for intraLATA toll service to Credit Associates, Inc., Statewide Recovery, Inc., Credit Bureau of Montana - Eastern Division, Credit Bureau of Montana - Central Division, and Innermountain Collections pursuant to Section 69-3-808, MCA.

Commission staff is in the process of studying this filing, and additional time is needed to receive and consider certain relevant data requests.

The ten (10) day period permitted by statute, for Commission action on such an application, would expire on May 10, 1990 unless action is deferred as provided by Section 69-3-808(3), MCA.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

USWC offers regulated telecommunications services in the state of Montana and is a public utility pursuant to, Section 69-3-101, MCA. The Commission has authority to supervise, regulate and control public utilities. Section 69-3-102, MCA.

The PSC shall defer action on USWC's application for forbearance for an additional five (5) day period, as provided in Section 69-3-808(3), MCA.

ORDER

PSC action on USWC's application for forbearance is hereby deferred for an additional five (5) day period, until May 15, 1990.

The PSC intends to take action on this matter on or before said date.

DONE AND DATED in open session at Helena, Montana, this 7th day of May, 1990
by a 3-0 vote.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CLYDE JARVIS, Chairman

HOWARD L. ELLIS, Commissioner

JOHN B. DRISCOLL, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Ann Peck
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: Any interested party may request that the Commission reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 38.2.4806, ARM.